

FOREST INSECT AND DISEASE MANAGEMENT UNIT
U.S. FOREST SERVICE
DORAVILLE, GEORGIA

REPORT OF AERIAL DETECTION SURVEY

LAND OWNERSHIP OR SURVEY AREA: Delta National Forest

STATE: Mississippi COUNTY:

AREA WITHIN SURVEY BOUNDARY: 118,200 acres DATE: 1/12/77

PERCENT COVERAGE: 25% AIRCRAFT: Cessna 182 CREW: R. F. Bassett
C. W. Dull

SURVEY OBJECTIVES: To detect insect or disease damage and delineate any such damage for a subsequent biological evaluation as needed. The primary objective was detection of the southern pine beetle.

SURVEY RESULTS

Due to the homogeneous hardwood forest type, southern pine beetle activity was not evident. Dead or dying trees were not observed. A routine aerial inspection of the area was accomplished following a survey of the Tombigbee National Forest en route to the Kisatchie National Forest.

CONCLUSIONS

Forest pest activity was not evident on the Delta National Forest. Southern pine beetle activity should not be expected to occur.

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